



# EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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## Situation Report

### Severe Storms

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#### CURRENT UPDATES IN BOLD-FACE TYPE

**PLEASE NOTE**—Individuals needing assistance should first contact the **FEMA Help Line** to Register – **1-800-621-FEMA (3362)**. The line is staffed from 8am-6pm, 7 days/week.

#### Situation:

State and Federal officials continue to assist persons affected by two storm-related disasters with recovery efforts. A total of 41 counties have been designated for some form of federal assistance under various programs administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Individual Assistance (IA) programs are now available for the disaster declared by President Bush on March 16<sup>th</sup> for storms of March 11-13 in a total of 37 counties (Bates, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Cass, Cedar, Christian, Cooper, Crawford, Greene, Henry, Hickory, Howard, Iron, Jefferson, Johnson, Lawrence, Lincoln, Mississippi, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, New Madrid, Newton, Perry, Pettis, Phelps, Putnam, Randolph, St Clair, Ste Genevieve, Scott, Saline, Taney, Vernon, Webster, Wright). IA programs provide assistance for individuals and business-owners who suffered losses because of the disaster. Affected persons should call the FEMA registration line at 800-621-FEMA to apply, or visit the FEMA website at [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov).

For the disaster declared by President Bush on April 5<sup>th</sup> for storms of March 30-April 2, IA programs are available in one county (Pemiscot).

All categories of Public Assistance (PA) are now available for the storms of March 11-13 in 26 counties (Bates, Bollinger, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Cedar, Christian, Davies, Greene, Henry, Hickory, Howard, Iron, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Perry, Pettis, Putnam, Randolph, Ray, Saline, St. Clair, Washington, Webster, Wright). Public Assistance is made available to state and local governments, as well as qualifying private non-profit organizations, to help offset costs incurred while responding to the disaster and to help offset costs of eligible recovery projects.

Categories A & B (Debris Removal and Emergency Protective Measures) of Public Assistance is available for the storms of March 11-13 in one county (Jefferson).

Categories A & B of Public Assistance is available for the storms of March 30-April 2 in three counties (Andrew, Pemiscot, Pettis).

**The initial round of PA Applicant briefings were completed on Saturday, April 15, 2006.** Applicant Briefings allow representatives from local governments and qualifying non-profit organizations an opportunity to learn about the PA program and gain a better understanding on costs and work that could potentially be eligible for Federal assistance. **Additional briefings are being scheduled.**

The Army Corps of Engineers continues its initial assessment on a mission to provide temporary housing to displaced people in Pemiscot County. On Tuesday, a meeting was held between State and Federal officials on the placement of

mobile homes and camper trailers for temporary housing in the county (including Caruthersville, Braggadocio, and Deering). FEMA has activated a \$5 million pre-scripted "temporary housing" mission assignment for the Corps of Engineering (USACE). This mission assignment is 100% federally funded. FEMA and the Corps of Engineers estimated having campers and mobile homes in the area early next week. The Congressional Representative from the area attended these meetings and asked the efforts be expedited as much as possible.

#### Fatalities/Injuries:

Storm	Fatalities	Injuries	Notes
March 11-13	11	121	
March 30-April 2	3	26	
State Total	14	147	

#### Damages to Homes

Storm	Destroyed	Damaged	Affected	Notes
March 11-13	399	2837	750	
March 30-April 2	247	838	384	
State Total	646	3675	1134	

Seven Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) have been opened in the affected areas. The DRCs offer affected persons a facility where they can get information on a wide variety of state and federal disaster relief programs. **DRCs are open from 9am-7pm, Mon-Sat; and 12pm-6pm on Sunday, except where noted below.** DRCs are operating at the following locations:

- **Cedar County:** First Baptist Church, 500 South Main, El Dorado Springs, **THIS CENTER WILL CLOSE TODAY at 7PM, MONDAY APRIL 17**
- **Hickory County:** University Extension, 203 Cedar (Corner of Cedar and Polk), Hermitage
- **Newton County:** Calvary Baptist Church (Corner of Highway 60 and Oak Ridge Extension), Neosho
- **Pemiscot County:** American Legion Hall #88, 716 Truman Boulevard, Caruthersville
- **Pettis County:** MO State Fairgrounds, 2001 Clarendon, Sedalia, CLOSED SUNDAY.
- **Putnam County:** Putnam County 4H Building, 615 N 22<sup>nd</sup>, Hwy 5 North, Unionville CLOSED SUNDAY.
- **Wright County:** Senior Citizen Center, 2299 Hwy M, Grovespring

Staff at the DRCs have assisted **1351** people in the following locations as of close of business of the date listed:

DATE	Paris	Sedalia	Nixa	Perryville	Unionville	Monroe City	Hermitage	Newton	Cedar Co.	Wright Co.	Pemiscot Co.
March 19-31	84	180	121	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
April 1-9	6	60	20	9	49	42	28	9	18	-	118
April 10	-	17	-	-	8	6	5	2	7	1	100
April 11	-	21	-	-	6	8	4	1	0	3	96
April 12	-	10	-	-	2	11	2	1	8	2	73
April 13	-	5	-	-	5	-	1	1	7	3	62
<b>April 14</b>	-	7	-	-	3	-	4	0	4	4	71
<b>Total</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>520</b>

#### State Actions:

- ❑ The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) has been activated at Level I. SEMA Southeast MO Area Coordinator on site in Pemiscot County, other Area Coordinators maintaining contact with local officials.
- ❑ Missouri State Highway Patrol (MSHP) dispatching officer(s) for security detail to Caruthersville, Pemiscot County. MSHP Troop E is providing day officers and 3 night officers to assist in security operations. MSHP will review the security operations on Monday, April 17, 2006. 10 Conservation agents will remain available for disaster duty in the effected area. **National Guard forces will remain in support as needed.**
- ❑ Department of Labor and Industrial Relations has started issuing Disaster Unemployment Assistance payments for the March 11-13, 2006, disaster. People who are eligible should call 1-800-788-4002.

Claimants that work or live in the original nine counties in the March disaster must submit their claims no later than April 18, 2006. For the remaining 27 counties, the deadline for claims is April 25, 2006.

- ❑ DNR is advising local units of government on proper disposal of disaster generated debris.
- ❑ The Department of Social Services (DSS) is coordinating water and mass care issues. DSS is coordinating with the major mass care partner agencies (Red Cross, Southern Baptist and Salvation Army).
- ❑ Effective March 24, 2006, farmers in 82 counties are eligible for Farm Service Agency (FSA) emergency loan assistance due to the severe storms and flooding which occurred March 11, 2006 through March 13, 2006: The counties are: Bates, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Cass, Cedar, Cooper, Greene, Henry, Howard, Iron, Jefferson, Lawrence, Lincoln, Mississippi, Montgomery, Morgan, New Madrid, Newton, Phelps, Putnam, Scott, St. Clair, Taney, Vernon, Webster, Wright, Adair, Audrain, Barry, Barton, Caldwell, Callaway, Camden, Cape Girardeau, Chariton, Christian, Cole, Crawford, Dade, Dallas, Dent, Douglas, Dunklin, Franklin, Gasconade, Hickory, Jackson, Jasper, Johnson, Laclede, Lafayette, Livingston, Madison, Maries, McDonald, Mercer, Miller, Moniteau, Osage, Ozark, Pemiscot, Pettis, Pike, Polk, Pulaski, Randolph, Ray, Reynolds, Saline, Schuyler, St. Charles, St. Francois, St. Louis, Ste. Genevieve, Stoddard, Stone, Sullivan, Texas, Warren, Washington and Wayne.

Other State Agency and Volunteer Agency Actions:

- The American Red Cross is running a shelter/service center at the Community Center in Caruthersville. 11 people sheltered at the Red Cross shelter the night April 13th. A total of 205 individuals have stayed at the shelter. Red Cross has 680 open cases that are being actively worked by volunteers.
- Multi-Agency Resource Center (MARC) – Eastwood Memorial UMC, Caruthersville
  - The Salvation Army – to date, approximately 1000 households processed for vouchers at Wal-Mart. The program is now closed.
  - AmeriCorps – to date, 232 requests for assistance with debris removal, tarping or minor home repairs, 90% or more in the City of Caruthersville
  - AmeriCorps - two 5 person debris removal teams working in Braggadocio on private property, and two 5 person teams now working on private property in Caruthersville
  - Missouri United Methodist Disaster Response Team (MUMDRT) is on scene with heavy equipment debris removal teams in Caruthersville and helping compile volunteer hours in Braggadocio (for FEMA reports).
  - Southern Baptist Convention – on scene with heavy equipment and chainsaw teams. The fixed feeding site located at the Baptist Church in Hayti will cease operation at close of business today (April 12<sup>th</sup>).
- Point of Distribution (POD) – Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Caruthersville
  - Goods most in need are tarps, personal care items, feminine hygiene products, baby formula, diapers, etc.
  - Hours of operation today: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., hours Sunday 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
  - The Salvation Army supporting this operation with volunteers and technical assistance
- **Salvation Army will continue mass feeding operations through Wednesday, April 19.**

AmeriCorps continues to work with volunteers staffing the Missouri Tornado Hotline (866-254-0140). The hotline is open from **9am to 5pm, Monday-Friday** to process offers of donated goods, time or money, as well as requests for assistance. More than 300 calls have been taken since March 13, 2006, in the following categories:

DATE	REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE	DONATION OFFERS	VOLUNTEER OFFERS	OTHER (hang-up, etc)
April 14	0	0	0	0
Total Calls	181	77	44	16

**Point of Contact:**

SEMA Duty Officer after hours (Starting at 4:30 pm) number is 573-751-2748. During normal duty hours calls should be made to 573-526-9100.

This Situation Report and other storm-related information may be viewed at the following web address:

<http://sema.dps.mo.gov/SevereStormsApril2006.htm>